IRRIGATION

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Irrigation and Reclamation ordered reported favorably to the full committee S.J. Res. 76, authorizing the Secretary of the Interior during the calendar year 1962, to continue to deliver water to lands in certain irrigation districts in the State of Washington.

Prior to taking action on the measure the subcommittee heard testimony from James K. Carr, Under Secretary of the Interior.

FEDERAL AVIATION AGENCY

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Met in executive session to hear a briefing on Federal Aviation Agency matters.

SUPERGRADES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee heard R. Sargent Shriver, Director, Peace Corps,

on H.R. 7377, relating to the number of positions that may be placed in the top grades of the Classification Act. Hearings continue Monday, August 7.

HOSPITALIZATION SERVICES—AGED

Committee on Ways and Means: Concluded public hearings on the President's proposal for hospitalization services for the aged under social security, and heard public witnesses.

Joint Committee Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—INDEPENDENT OFFICES

Conferees, in executive session, agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate-and House-passed versions of H.R. 7445, fiscal 1962 appropriations for independent offices.

Monday, August 7, 1961

HIGHLIGHTS

Both Houses cleared independent offices appropriations for President. Senate passed six armed services bills. House passed 51 miscellaneous bills.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 14811-14841

Bills Introduced: Two bills were introduced, as follows: S. 2383-2384.

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Bill Reported: Report was made as follows:

S. 1808, to encourage the construction and maintenance of American-flag vessels built in American ship-yards, with amendment (S. Rept. 667).

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Bills Cleared for President: Senate passed without amendment and cleared for President the following four bills from the Committee on Armed Services:

H.R. 181, permitting enlistment in the Army and Air Force by aliens lawfully admitted to the U.S. for permanent residence;

H.R. 4321, authorizing transportation of dependents and household effects of certain retired military personnel:

H.R. 7722, to provide that Medical Service Corps officers may exercise command outside the Army Medical Service when directed by proper authority; and

H.R. 4323, to amend the Career Compensation Act with respect to special pay for diving duty.

Pages 14841-14844

Public Lands—North Carolina: S. 2079, providing for retrocession of jurisdiction to North Carolina over an area near Camp Lejeune, was passed without amendment.

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Girl Scouts: Senate passed without amendment S. 1240, authorizing the lending of certain military equipment in connection with the senior roundup of the Girl Scouts scheduled for July 1962 in Vermont.

Pages 14842-14843

Parliamentary Meetings: Vice President made the following appointments to forthcoming parliamentary meetings:

Interparliamentary Union, to be held at Brussels, September 14-22, 1961: Senators Gore, Humphrey, Thurmond, Hart, Hickey, Monroney, Capehart, Schoeppel, Allott, and Keating (alternates: Senators Long (Hawaii), Symington, Pastore, Muskie, Mansfield, and Sparkman);

Commonwealth Parliamentary Association, to be held in London, September 24-October 1, 1961: Senators Fulbright, Young (Ohio), Beall, and Tower (alternates: Senators Engle and Bartlett); and

Conference of Parliamentarians from NATO Countries, to be held in Paris November 13-18, 1961: Senators Jackson, Kefauver, Cannon, Metcalf, Byrd (West

Virginia), Long (Missouri), Mundt, Javits, Scott, and Miller (alternates: Senators Lausche, Jordan, McGee, Burdick, Williams (New Jersey), and Hartke).

Pages 14814-14815

Independent Offices Appropriations: Conference report on H.R. 7445, fiscal 1962 appropriations for independent offices, was adopted. In this connection, Senate concurred in House amendment to Senate amendment No. 36 (sites and expenses, public buildings projects).

These actions cleared the bill for President's signature.

Pages 14857-14863

O'Connor Nomination: Senate debate Proxmire motion to recommit to Committee on Commerce with instructions to report back within I week the nomination of Lawrence J. O'Connor, Jr., of Texas, to be a member of the Federal Power Commission.

Pages 14863-14915

Nominations: Four judicial nominations were received.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 7:54 p.m.

Committee Meetings

INDUSTRIAL MORTGAGES

Committee on Banking and Currency: The Subcommittee on Production and Stabilization held hearings on S. 1212, proposed Redevelopment Area Industrial Mortgage Association Act, receiving testimony from Representatives Flood and Scranton; William Batt, Jr., Area Redevelopment Administrator, Department of Commerce; William R. Davlin, Department of Commerce of Pennsylvania; Louis G. Feldmann, Northeast Pennsylvania Industrial Development Council; and V. P. Edwards, Jr., Northeastern Pennsylvania National Bank & Trust Co.

Hearings continue tomorrow.

CRIMES ABOARD AIRCRAFT

Committee on Commerce: The Aviation Subcommittee, in executive session, tentatively approved for full committee consideration S. 2268, relating to crimes committed aboard aircraft in flight in air commerce.

The subcommittee will meet again tomorrow to consider proposed technical amendments to this bill.

WATER CARRIERS

Committee on Commerce: Committee concluded its hearings in connection with the need for a temporary technical amendment to the water carrier section of the Interstate Commerce Act to permit common carriers to operate the most efficient size tows, after receiving testimony from the following witnesses: David A. Wright, Waterways Bulk Transportation Council, Inc., New York; Gale Chapman, Upper Mississippi Towing Corp., Minneapolis; John M. Bishop, International Organization of Masters, Mates and Pilots, Tappan, N.J.; Earl C. Rose, Jr., Rose Barge Lines, Inc., Marseilles, Ill.; John W. Baskin, Port City Barge Line, Greenville, Miss.; Steve E. Aduddell, H.A.M. Grain Co., Coffeyville, Kans.; John W. Collyer, Olin-Mathieson Chemical Corp., New York; William M. Maloney, Association of American Railroads; and Capt. A. C. Ingersoll, Federal Barge Lines, St. Louis.

D.C. MATTERS

Committee on the District of Columbia: Subcommittee on Public Health held and concluded hearings on the following two bills:

S. 502, authorizing employment of retired Federal Government personnel by the D.C. Board of Education, with testimony from C. Belden White II, Assistant Corporation Counsel, D.C.; Thomas J. Holmes, D.C. Public Schools; Miss Selma Borchardt, Washington Central Labor Union; Don B. Goodloe, American Federation of Teachers; and Dr. Ellis Haworth, chairman, D.C. Congress of Parents and Teachers; and

S. 914, providing for more effective administration of public assistance in the D.C., with testimony from C. Belden White; Gerard M. Shea, Director, Department of Public Welfare, D.C.; Arvin E. Upton and Milton Brown, both of the D.C. Regional Health and Welfare Council; Mrs. Jack Gottsegen, National Council of Jewish Women; and Miss Margaret Fisher, Federation of Citizens Associations.

NATIONAL POLICY MACHINERY

Committee on Government Operations: Subcommittee on National Policy Machinery heard Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara testify on policy and planning of the Department of Defense and National Security Council.

Hearings continue on Monday, August 14.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 31 public bills, H.R. 8517-8547; 6 private bills, H.R. 8548-8553; and 4 resolutions, H.J. Res. 516-518, and H. Res. 407, were introduced.

Pages 14809-14810

Bills Reported: Reports were filed as follows:

Conference report on H.R. 7445, independent offices appropriation bill for fiscal year 1962, filed on August 4 (H. Rept. 850);

H.R. 8400, to promote the foreign policy, security, and general welfare of the U.S. by assisting peoples of

the world in their efforts toward economic and social development and internal and external security, filed on

August 4 (H. Rept. 851);

H.R. 5144, to provide for the payment for individual Indian and tribal lands of the Lower Brule Sioux Reservation in South Dakota, amended, filed on August 5 (H. Rept. 852);

H.R. 5165, to provide payments for individual Indian and tribal lands required by the U.S. for the Big Bend Dam and Reservoir project on the Missouri River, amended, filed on August 5 (H. Rept. 853);

Report of the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce entitled "World Newsprint Supply-Demand—Outlook Through 1963" (H. Rept. 854);

H.R. 4975, permitting second-class mailings of publications of elementary and secondary institutions of

learning, amended (H. Rept. 855);

H.R. 7021, authorizing Government agencies to provide quarters and certain other benefits for civilian officers and employees of the United States (H. Rept. 856);

H.R. 7061, relative to payment for unused compensatory time owing to deceased postal employees, amended

(H. Rept. 857);

H.R. 7532, relating to funds received by Post Office Department from payments for damage to personal property (H. Rept. 858);

H.R. 1010, relating to minimum increases on promotions under the Classification Act of 1949 (H. Rept.

859); and

H.R. 2587, extension of postage rates on library materials to films under 16 millimeters in size and film catalogs thereof, amended (H. Rept. 860).

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Defense Appropriations: Disagreed to Senate amendments to H.R. 7851, fiscal 1962 appropriations for the Defense Department; agreed to a conference requested by the Senate; and appointed as conferees Representatives Mahon, Sheppard, Cannon, Ford, and Taber.

Pages 14729-14730

Consent Calendar: Passed the following bills on the call of the Consent Calendar:

Cleared for the President:

Indians: S. 54, granting 81 acres of public land to the Cocopah Indians in Arizona.

Scholarships: S. 539, to make nationals, American and foreign, eligible for certain scholarships under the Surplus Property Act.

Surplus grain: S. 614, authorizing the use of surplus grain by the States for emergency use in the feeding of

resident game birds and other wildlife.

Commodity Credit: S. 763, authorizing funds to reimburse the Commodity Credit Corporation for net losses incurred.

Colorado River bridge transfer: S. 809 (in lieu of H.R. 1102), authorizing the transfer of a Bureau of Reclamation bridge across the Colorado River near Needles, Calif.

Vessel documentation: S. 881, to permit documentation of vessels sold or transferred abroad.

American Samoa: S. 1087, authorizing transfer of certain Federal property to American Samoa.

Sent to the Senate without amendments:

Indians: H.R. 115, relating to the allocation of costs on the Wapato-Satus unit of the Wapato Indian irrigation project.

Oklahoma civil defense: H.R. 2877, authorizing a financial contribution to the State of Oklahoma for civil

defense purposes.

Virgin Islands fishing: H.R. 3159, permitting certain foreign-flag vessels to land their catches of fish in the Virgin Islands in certain circumstances.

Reservists' travel allowance: H.R. 4786, to equalize

travel allowance for reservists.

National Guard caretakers: H.R. 4790, to amend U.S. Code relative to employment of National Guard civilian caretakers.

National Guard students: H.R. 4792, to clarify the status of National Guard personnel in attendance at certain National Guard schools and while on certain types of training duty.

Albany County, N.Y., relief: H.R. 4917, for the relief

of Albany County, N.Y.

Girl Scouts: H.R. 5228, authorizing the Secretary of Defense to assist the Girl Scouts at their 1962 encampment.

Indians: H.R. 5235, authorizing the confederated tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon to acquire land within the boundaries of their reservation.

Indians: H.R. 5964, to authorize the use of funds arising from a judgment in favor of the Potawatomi Nation of Indians.

Judicial councils: H.R. 6690, to provide for the inclusion of a district judge on the judicial council of each circuit.

Bankruptcy: H.R. 7405, to provide for the promulgation of rules of practice and procedure under the Bankruptcy Act.

Virgin Islands: H.R. 7666, amending the Revised Organic Act of the Virgin Islands pertaining to the salary

of the government comptroller.

ROTC graduates: H.R. 7719, to permit ROTC graduates to accept commissions in the Coast and Geodetic Survey.

Fort Sheridan, Ill.: H.R. 7721, authorizing the Secretary of the Army to retrocede certain legislative jurisdiction over Fort Sheridan, Ill.

Evacuation pay advances: H.R. 7724, to provide for advances of pay to members of the armed services in cases of emergency evacuation of military dependents from oversea areas.

New York property conveyance: H.R. 7725, authorizing the Secretary of the Army to reconvey to Malone, N.Y., certain real property heretofore donated to the U.S.

Military education: H.R. 7727, permitting members of the Armed Forces to accept fellowships, scholarships, or grants.

Sent to the Senate amended:

Federal property disposal: S. 1085 (in lieu of H.R. 7601), providing for the disposal of certain Federal property on the Minidoka project, Idaho, Shoshone project, Wyoming, and Yakima project, Washington.

Indians: S. 1294 (in lieu of H.R. 3531), relating to the

Fort Hall Indian irrigation project, Idaho.

Military loyalty oath: H.R. 218, to provide that individuals enlisted into U.S. Armed Forces shall take an oath to support and defend the U.S. Constitution.

Highland Falls, N.Y.: H.R. 763, authorizing an additional payment to the village of Highland Falls, N.Y.

Peanuts: H.R. 1021, to extend for 2 years the definition of "peanuts" which is now in effect under the Agricultural Adjustment Act of 1938.

Tobacco allotments: H.R. 1022, to provide for lease

and transfer of tobacco acreage allotments.

Hawaiian land conveyance: H.R. 1794, providing for the conveyance of certain real property to the State of Hawaii.

Bankruptcy: H.R. 1961, to amend the Bankruptcy Act relating to statutory liens and the powers of the trustee.

Alaska lands: H.R. 2925, amending the act of March 8, 1922, as amended, pertaining to isolated tracts and to extend its provisions to public sales.

Bankruptcy: H.R. 4473, to amend the Bankruptcy Act with respect to limiting the priority and nondis-

chargeability of taxes in bankruptcy.

National Guard retirement: H.R. 4785, relating to withholding for State employee retirement, disability, and death benefit systems on the compensation of certain National Guard civilian employees.

Patents and trademarks: H.R. 5754, relating to Paris

Convention on Patents and Trademarks.

Florida phosphates: H.R. 6102, to authorize the sale of U.S. reserved phosphate interests in lands in Highland County, Fla., to the record owners of the surface thereof.

Nevada entrymen: H.R. 6241, to repeal the act of October 22, 1919 (41 Stat. 293; 43 U.S.C. 351-355, 357-360).

Savings and loan insurance: H.R. 7108, strengthening the Federal Savings and Loan Insurance Corporation.

Waterfowl feather disposition: H.R. 7447, to amend the Strategic and Critical Materials Stockpiling Act to provide for the immediate disposition of certain waterfowl feathers.

Cadets—Service Academies: H.R. 7913, to bring the number of cadets at the U.S. Military Academy and the U.S. Air Force Academy up to full strength.

Aircraft-missile accident claims: H.R. 7934, authorizing advance payments on claims resulting from aircraft or missile accidents.

Bank directors' election: H.R. 8277, improving and simplifying election of the directors of Federal home loan banks.

Eligible bills not considered:

Passed over without prejudice: H.R. 468, 2049, 7728, and 8141. Pages 14732-14758

Independent Offices Appropriations: By a voice vote the House adopted the conference report on H.R. 7445, making appropriations for sundry independent executive bureaus, boards, commissions, corporations, agencies, and offices for fiscal year 1962, and sent the legislation to the Senate. Seven Senate amendments were reported in disagreement and on which the House voted to recede and concur in amendments Nos. 23, 26, 29, 35, 47, and 80; on amendment No. 36 the House receded and concurred with an amendment.

Pages 14757-14760

Berlin Stand: Announcement was made by the chairman of the Committee on Foreign Affairs that H. Con. Res. 351, supporting the President's reply to Soviet aide memoire on Germany and Berlin, would not be considered under suspension of the rules but would be returned to the committee for rewording.

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Cleared for President: The following two bills were cleared for Presidential consideration by House concurrence in Senate amendments:

North Carolina historic site: H.R. 5518, revising the boundaries of the Fort Raleigh National Historic Site

in North Carolina; and

Colorado land exchange: H.R. 2203, authorizing the Secretary of the Interior to exchange certain property in Rocky Mountain National Park, Colo. Page 14774

Suspension Passages: Considered and passed the fol-

lowing bills under suspension of the rules:

Military emergency sales: H.R. 7728, authorizing the Secretary of a military department to sell goods and services to aircraft owners in emergencies, amended (passed by a record vote of 307 yeas to 78 nays).

Indians: H.R. 5144, to provide for the payment for individual Indian and tribal lands of the Lower Brule Sioux Reservation in South Dakota, amended (passed

by a voice vote).

Indians: H.R. 5165, to provide payments for individual Indian and tribal lands required by the U.S. for the Big Bend Dam and Reservoir project on the Missouri River, amended (passed by a voice vote).

Idaho irrigation: H.R. 4458, to replace lateral pipelines, line discharge pipelines, and to do other work required for the Avondale, Dalton Gardens, and Hayden Lake Irrigation Districts in the State of Idaho, amended (passed by a voice vote).

Conflict-of-interest: H.R. 8140, to strengthen the criminal laws relating to bribery, graft, and conflicts of

interest, amended (passed by a voice vote).

NASA: H.R. 8095, amending the National Aeronautics and Space Act of 1958 (passed by a voice vote).

Interstate or foreign commerce property damage: H.R. 2429, to prohibit damage to, or destruction of, any shipment of freight or express moving in interstate or foreign commerce, amended (passed by a voice vote).

Pages 14761-14786

Bill Rereferred: The Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 8461, to authorize an investigation relating to the restoration and preservation of certain cultural and historical artifacts of the Ryukyuan people, and the bill was rereferred to the Committee on Armed Services.

Pages 14786-14787

Adjournment: Adjourned at 4:33 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FORESTS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Forests held a hearing on H.R. 3052, and S. 302, identical bills, relating to certain areas within the Superior National Forest, in Minnesota; and H.R. 4934, to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to modify certain leases entered into for the provision of recreation facilities in reservoir areas. Heard testimony from an Agriculture Department official; and public witnesses. Hearings continue Tuesday, August 8.

WHEAT

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Wheat, in executive session, ordered reported favorably to the full committee S. 1107 (amended), to provide for a 2-year extension of the existing provision for a minimum wheat acreage allotment in the Tulelake area of California. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

CIVIL DEFENSE

Committee on Government Operations: Subcommittee on Military Operations resumed hearings on civil defense. Heard public witnesses. The subcommittee will continue on this subject, Tuesday, August 8.

PUBLIC LANDS

CONGRESSIONAL RECORD — DAILY DIGEST

Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs: Subcommittee on Public Lands heard a briefing from Karl S. Landstrom, Director, Bureau of Land Management, Department of the Interior, on H.R. 7788 and 7789, identical bills, to authorize the classification, segregation, lease, and sale of public land for urban, business, and occupancy sites, and to repeal obsolete statutes. The subcommittee will continue on this subject Tuesday, August 8.

CRIMES ABOARD AIRCRAFT

Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce: Subcommittee on Transportation and Aeronautics held a hearing on H.R. 8380, to provide for the application of Federal criminal law to certain events occurring on board aircraft in air commerce; and H.R. 8370, to prevent hijacking of aircraft. Heard testimony from Representatives Chelf, Dominick, Williams, and Rogers of Colorado; also James T. Pyle, Deputy Administrator, Federal Aviation Agency. Hearings continue Tuesday, August 8.

IMMIGRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee No. 1 took testimony and acted on several private immigration bills.

SUPERGRADES

Committee on Post Office and Civil Service: Subcommittee heard R. Sargent Shriver, Jr., Director, Peace Corps; and John O. Bell, Deputy Coordinator for Foreign Assistance, Department of State, on H.R. 7377, relating to the number of positions that may be placed in the top grades of the Classification Act.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Science and Astronautics: The committee met in executive session on pending business. No announcements were made.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

Committee on Ways and Means: Committee met in executive session. No announcements were made.

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HIGHLIGHTS

Senate in day and night session debated O'Connor nomination to FPC. House sent AEC authorization bill to conference and passed bills on review of ICC orders and vessel loans to friendly nations. Senate committee approved bill on crimes aboard aircraft.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 14997-15008

Bills Introduced: Three bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2385-2387; and S. Res. 192-193. Pages 14999, 15120 Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

S. 419, 1786, 1928, 2118, 456, 1053, 1190, 1585, and

976, private bills (S. Repts. 668-676);

S.J. Res. 8, to designate the week of Whitsunday of each year as Hernando de Soto Week, with amendment (S. Rept. 677);